

# EWITT Dreamweaver Template Tutorial

All professional websites follow a template. In all cases, the website is planned based on the content it is delivered, then a template is designed to organize the information for its users, and, finally, multiple pages are created from that one template to accommodate all of the content.

We have created the following template to house the content for your students' websites. This template is easily customizable and modifiable. With Fireworks as a tool for creating unique graphics, every website will be unique.

## STEP 1: DOWNLOAD "template.html"

- Go to: <http://enhancingwriting.wikispaces.com>
- Click on: ThinkQuest Session Agendas in the navigation bar
- Scroll to: Session 4.2
- Right-click or Control-click on "template.html"
- Navigate to save file in your project folder

## STEP 2: OPEN FILE IN DREAMWEAVER\*

- Launch the Dreamweaver application
- File > Open and choose "template.html"

*\*If you double-click the file directly from your folder, it will open in a browser window, not Dreamweaver.*

Title Image- 800 pixels wide, 150 pixels high		
Button- 200 x 50	<b>Welcome</b>  Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Nam nibh. Nunc varius facilisis eros. Sed erat. In in velit quis arcu ornare laoreet. Curabitur adipiscing luctus massa. Integer ut purus ac augue commodo commodo. Nunc nec mi eu justo tempor consectetur.  Etiam vitae nisl. In dignissim lacus ut ante. Cras elit lectus, bibendum a, adipiscing vitae, commodo et, dui. Ut tincidunt tortor. Donec nonummy, enim in lacinia pulvinar, velit tellus scelerisque augue, ac posuere libero urna eget neque. Cras ipsum. Vestibulum pretium, lectus nec venenatis volutpat, purus lectus ultrices risus, a condimentum risus mi et quam.  ellentesque auctor fringilla neque. Duis eu massa ut lorem iaculis vestibulum. Maecenas facilisis elit sed justo. Quisque volutpat malesuada velit.  <b>This area will grow down if more room is needed for content</b>	These cells can be merged or split to accommodate your design and whatever text, images or media you are inserting.  Use the graph paper to sketch how to layout the elements of your site.
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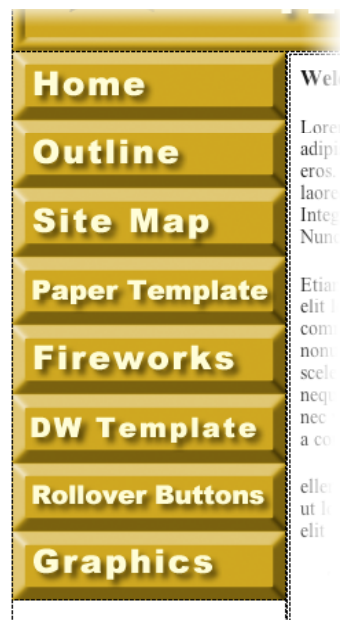
The template has been designed to house a title image and up to eight buttons (more can be added). The template was created using nesting tables- that means tables within tables where the cell sizes are specified to create a stable design.

### PRACTICE STEPS:

Click within the different cells and change the background color  
 Change the Page Properties (font, background color)  
 Learn how to select specific cells and individual tables

### STEP 3: Insert Title Image

Select and delete the text that is in the top cell  
 Keep the cursor in the same location  
 Insert > Image > Choose your title graphic



### STEP 4: Insert Button Images

In the same manner as in Step 3, insert the buttons one by one in the order that you determined on your paper template.

#### STEP 5.1: Link Buttons

- Using the pre-determined page links on your paper template, you will link each button to that page.
- Click to select “Home” button
- In the Properties Menu, click inside the “Link” box
- Type “index.html”\* in the Link
- Click inside “Border” box and type “0” (zero)
- Press Return/Enter to apply the changes



*\*Remember to use lowercase letters!*

#### STEP 5.2: Continue Linking All Buttons

- Follow the same procedure as in Step 5.1 on the rest of your buttons. Remember to use good filing naming techniques (no spaces, lowercase letters, etc).
- Double-check your work!!! This is a crucial step... you'll understand why later ;-)

## STEP 6: Customize Your Page

As in the practice steps, you can now set the fonts, change the background color of the page and the content cells (you'll learn a trick for how to select colors from your button/title graphics!)

## STEP 7: SAVE!!!

This is your template. You can create an infinite amount of pages based on this design.

## STEP 8: Create Multiple Pages Using “Save As...”

- File > Save As...
- Rename the page to “index.html”
- Follow suit with the page names that you used to link all of the buttons.
- Example: File > Save As... “aboutme.html”

## STEP 9: Title Each Page

- Open each page and change the title in the text area to match the content
- Save

## STEP 10: Test Site

- Launch a browser
- File > Open File...
- Navigate to your folder and open “index.html”
- Test your buttons!

